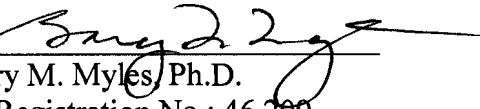




Favorable consideration of the present application and the elected claims is respectfully requested and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. The Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney if there are any questions prior to allowance of this matter.

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